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THE FULL MOON SHINES
DOWN THROUGH THE LEAF-
LESS BRANCHES ONE
FINAL TIME THIS JANUARY.

ITS LAST CHANCE
TO INSPIRE
MADNESS...

...OR PROVIDE A
BEACON OF HOPE
TO THOSE WHO'VE
BEEN MALIGNED.

IT'S NOT
WEREWOLVES
THAT'VE BEEN
SLAUGHTERIN'
OUR FRIENDS...

...IT'S THAT
BASTARD,
SWEENEY!

HE'S GONNA
PAY FOR
MUTILATIN' MY
WIFE, LESLIE--
AND EVERYBODY
ELSE.

YOU
TWO PHILS
WITH ME?

CHESTER,
WE'VE SEEN
WEREWOLVES--

--AN' SWEENEY
DID HAVE A REALLY
WICKED SKULL
WITH HIM--

YOU SAW
WHAT HE DID
TO LESLIE... TO
THE OTHERS--

I'LL NEVER
BELIEVE LESLIE
WAS A
WEREWOLF--
THEY'RE JUST
FICTION

WELL... SHIT
YEAH, I'LL COME--
WOULDN'T WANT
THAT SICKO TA
TAKE UP
RESIDENCY.

JUST
REMEMBER...
YOU CAN
WOUND HIM...
BUT I GET
TO FINISH
HIM OFF!

EACH DERIVING HIS OWN SENSUAL
PLEASURE FROM THE DANGER OF IT.

NEITHER WANTING A
QUICK, UNSATISFYING KILL.

THE WEREWOLF HAS AN UNNATURAL
NEED FOR THE WARM RED OF FLESH.

THE HUMAN, A NATURAL ATTRACTION
TO SPORT, TROPHIES AND THE
SPOILS OF SWEET VICTORY...

I WAS WONDERIN'
HOW YOU'D KNOW
WHERE TO FIND THE
NIGHT BREED,
ERIK.

AFTER WATCHIN'
YOU CHANGE INTO A
FILTHY BEAST, I
CAN SEE YOU'RE
ONE OF 'EM--

--AND MY
SECOND TROPHY
AND MEAL FOR
THE NIGHT.





WHY, MR.
SWEENEY, I
WAS THINKING
THE VERY SAME
THING ABOUT
YOU!

**CIRCLE
OF
VENGEANCE**



Huh. EVEN
WITH MY KNIFE
HALF BURIED IN
YOUR BUT, YOU
BARELY SHOW A
SIGN OF
WEAKNESS...

MAN GETS A
GREAT DEAL OF
SATISFACTION FROM
SUCH A MAGNIFICENT
OPPONENT

CAN'T BEGIN
TO TELL YOU HOW
MUCH I'M GONNA
SAVOR SUCKING
THE BLOOD FROM
YOUR VEINS!



YET ANOTHER CONFRONTATION
IN THE NIGHT UNFOLDS
BENEATH THE WATCHFUL LIGHT
OF THE MOON...



WE'LL SHOW
THESE DICKLESS
NATURALS WHAT
PLAYIN' CHICKEN'S
ALL ABOUT
NARCISSE!

I'M NOT
ALL THAT SURE
I WANT TO KNOW
WHAT IT'S ALL
ABOUT,
PELOQUIN!

I DON'T
THINK THEY'RE
GONNA TURN
ASIDE!

KEEP
PUMPIN'
'EM FULLA
LEAD!



I DON'T
THINK THEY'RE
GONNA TURN
AWAY!

BLAM BLAM
BLAM

CHAM CHAM
CHAM



SEVERAL BLOODY
MINUTES LATER...

ARRRGG!
OH NO YOU
DON'T!

GRAAAWWWWL

YOU AIN'T
SPREADIN' YOUR
FILTHY DISEASE
INTO ME,
ASSHOLE!

...NOT...

...TOO
LATE...

JONATHAN?

TWO
OF 'EM?

ERIK!
YOU'VE GONE
TOO FAR!

THE NIGHTBREED
HAVE COME FOR US!
THEY WANT VENGEANCE
IN A BAD WAY FOR THE
FOXWOMAN YOU KILLED!



I CAN TAKE
ONE OF THEM
BEASTS, BUT
NOT TWO!

CAN'T TAKE
CHANCES, NOT
WITH THE
BREED SO
NEAR...

...MY TROPHY
SO CLOSE I
CAN TASTE
IT!

YOU'VE
DEPRIVED
ME OF MY
MEAL--

--AND WILL
THEREFORE
BECOME ITS
SUBSTITUTE!

I WON'T
LET YOU KILL
ME, ERIK!

YIIIEEE!

WE WERE
FRIENDS
ONCE, FOR
CRISAKE!

CHANGE BACK
TO YOUR HUMAN
FORM AND RUN
THE HELL AWAY
OR YOU'LL BE
KILLED!

I RAN
AWAY OF
THE BREED
TO WARN
YOU--



COWARD! I'LL
FINISH WITH THE
HUNTER, AS WELL
AS THE NIGHTBREED!

YOU DON'T
DESERVE THE
HONOR OF DEATH
BY COMBAT!

YOU MAY LIE
IN THE SNOW...
BLEEDING...
FREEZING
TO DEATH!

JONATHAN!



YOU
BASTARD!
ERIK'S GETTING
AWAY!

I'M...

...SORRY!



...RAN
AHEAD...

...OWNED...
FRIEND...

YEAH, IT'S
HARD TO SELL
OUT OLD
FRIENDS...

...BUT NOW
IT LOOKS LIKE
YOU'RE THE
ONE SERVING
PENANCE FOR
HIS SIN!



ELSEWHERE, THE
CIRCLE BEGINS
TO TIGHTEN...



ZZZZHHHHRRRRMMMMMMMM

... AND THESE
NIGHTREED ARE
SUPPOSEDLY THE
CREATURES OF MYTH,
CHESTER!

VAMPIRES,
SHAPESHIFTERS--

BULLSHIT.

BULL TRUE,
MAN! WE SAW
SOMEONE
TRANSFORM INTO
A WEREWOLF--

--SHIT, THIS WOODS
IS PROBABLY
CRAWLIN' WITH ALL
KINDS O' NASTY
MONSTERS!

I DON'T
CARE ABOUT
ANY OF
THAT.

ALL I
CARE ABOUT
IS THE DEATH OF
SWEENEY.

HE'S THE
ONLY
MONSTER
IN THESE
WOODS!

THE WOODS ARE INDEED
CRAWLING WITH MONSTERS.
BUT IT IS NOT THEY WHO
ARE THE DANGER...

IT AIN'T
GOOD.

DEATH'S
IN THE WIND
TONIGHT,
'CORDIN' TO
THE FLAMES.

GOD DAMNED PELOQUIN
AN' HIS PACT O' VENGEANCE
COULD BE ANOTHER DEATH
FOR ALL US BREED.

NICKNEVEN,
OVER THERE--

... WERE ...
WOLVES ...

WHERE
DO YA MEAN,
ORAL-- OH.

A NATURAL.

... COMING ...

IT APPEARS HE'S
BEEN GORED.

LET'S
GET HIM
OVER TO THE
FIRE--

TH4ID





--FOR A NATURAL!

BUT I'M NIGHTBREED, AND IF YOU THINK YOU'RE ANY KIND OF MATCH FOR ME--

ARRGHH!

AN' I'M REAL DOWN ON THE VEGETARIAN SCENE!

CHOKER ON ME, YOU FILTH--

NAW... THIS IS TOO EASY--

--BETTER START TAKIN' NOTES, 'CAUSE I LOVE THIS SHIT MORE THAN YOU EVER WILL!

KRUNCH

YIIIEEEE!

IT'S NOT EVEN SPORT-ING--

--RIGHT SPORT?

NOW 'BOUT I GIVE YOU A FIVE MINUTE HEAD START--

UHHFF!

LET'S SEE HOW YOU LIKE BEIN' THE HUNTED FOR ONCE... NATURAL!

YOU'LL BE FRIGGIN' SORRY YOU DIDN'T TAKE ME OUT WHILE YOU HAD THE CHANCE, ANIMAL!

AS THE FIRST FINGERS
OF DAWN SCRAPE
ACROSS THE SKY...

RHOOOAAAR!

DEAR
BAPHOMET,
WHAT'S--?



...I'M...
UNNNNN...
REVERTIN'--

RHOOOAAARR!

GODDAMN
FILTHY
BEASTS!

Snap

ARRGH!

HR000000! SHRAARRH!

THAT
CAME FROM
A DIFFERENT
DIRECTION--

SHIT!
THEY'RE ALL
OVER THE
PLACE--

--SURROUNDIN'
ME--

...FILTHY
BASTARDS!

FRIGGIN'
TRAPS! PEOPLE
GOT NO IDEA
HOW TO TRULY
EXPERIENCE
THE PLEASURE
OF THE HUNT--

WEREWOLVES AND BREED
AREN'T THE ONLY ONES
DOING THE SURROUNDING...

THERE!
THOSE
HOWLS LED
US RIGHT
TO--

--SHIT! IT
AIN'T SWEENEY--
IT'S A...

...WEREWOLF?

MY GOD! IT'S
JONATHAN
GIRY!

WE TOLD
YOU WE SAW
WEREWOLVES!

WHO THE
HELL ARE
YOU?

NARCISSE
IS THE NAME,
BUT NOW WE
SHOULD--

UGH! LOOK
AT THAT! HE
GOTTA BE ONE
OF THEM NIGHT-
BREED SWEENEY
WAS AFTER!

SECRET'S OUT,
BUT ACTUALLY I'M
AN ACTOR.

PERHAPS YOU COULD
LEND US A NEEDED
HAND. YOUR... FRIEND
IS DYING... AGAIN...
AND UNLESS--

WHO'D'A
THOUGHT GIRY'D
BE A WEREWOLF?

DOESN'T
SEEM RIGHT TO
KILL A BUDDY
JUST 'CAUSE HE
TURNS INTO--

INTERESTING COINCIDENCE,
OUR BOTH KNOWING
SWEENEY. NOW--

--WE'D
APPRECIATE
A LIFT BACK
TO OUR CAMP
SO WE CAN
HEAL YOUR
MR. GIRY.

YOU DON'T
SCARE ME.
WE'LL DO
IT FOR
GIRY, IF--

--YOU
HELP US
HUNT DOWN
THAT
BASTARD
SWEENEY.

SEEMS THAT'S
THE ONLY THING
ANYBODY WANTS
TODAY...

SHRAAAAA!

HROOOOO

--CLOSIN'
IN ON ME--

IT DOESN'T
FEEL THE SAME,
DOES IT?

BEASTS
KEEP MOVIN'
AROUND--

--CAN'T
SEE 'EM...

...PLAYIN'
WITH ME...

SHIT.

HOW'S IT
FEEL TO HAVE
THE ROLES
REVERSED,
NATURAL? HOW
DO YOU LIKE
BEIN' DRIVEN
OUT?

KNOW THE
FEAR OF THE
HUNTED, YOU
SADISTIC
NATURAL
BASTARD?

HROOOOO

THINK I'LL
CHANGE IT
FROM COMPANY
TO CROWD!

THAT SO?
TAKES TWO
OF YOU FILTHY
BEASTS TO
BEST A
HUMAN, EH?

AND I'LL
KNOW I DIED
A GLORIOUS
DEATH BY
COMBAT...
SUPERIOR!

WELL, IT AIN'T
HAPPENIN'! I'M
TAKIN' AT LEAST
ONE OF YOU
MOTHERS TO HELL
WITH ME!

CH-KLUNK

YOU THINK
I'M SCARED?

YOU'D
BE RIGHT,
BUT I CAN
USE THAT
FEAR--

--AGAINST
YOU, BEAST!

WELL,
COME
AND GET
ME!

WHAT'LL
YOU
KNOW?



YOU MUST BE
ERIK... WE GOT
BUSINESS,
YOU AN' I.

BEFORE YOU CAME TO TOWN,
THE CIRCLE OF WOLVES
RULED THE NIGHT.

NOW ONE OF OUR NUMBER IS
DECEASED, ALONG WITH THE
TOWNSFOLK WE WERE BLAMED
FOR... SWEENEY.

THINGS CAN NEVER BE THE
SAME FOR US AGAIN...

JUST AS SOON
AS THIS FILTHY
NATURAL TASTES
BRED JUSTICE.



THE BUSINESS WILL MOST
CERTAINLY BE PLEASURE,
BUT IT WILL NOT TAKE THE
TWO OF US TO SHOW THIS
HERE MAN THAT IT TAKES
MORE THAN ANIMALISTIC
INSTINCTS TO CLAIM
VICTORY.

HE'S YOURS
BY RIGHT...
BUT THEN
YOU'RE MINE,
FOR THE DEATH
OF MY MATE!



YOU MEAN THE
FOXWOMAN,
EH?

LOVELY
SPECIMEN...

I'LL PICK
UP YOUR
GAUNTLET, WITH
THE ANTICIPATION
OF FEASTING
ON YOUR STILL-
BEATING HEART!

WE GOT US
A FRIGGIN'
SHOOTIN'
GALLERY!

GRRRRR!
WHERE IS
YOUR STEEL
CLAW, HUMAN?

OH, YOU DON'T
WANT TO DO THAT--
PELOQUIN MIGHT
BE LESS THAN
APPRECIATIVE!

I DON'T
NEED ANYTHING
TO BEST THE LIKES
OF YOU!

HRROOOO

WHAT'S A
PELOQUIN?

SAP
BUT I
WON'T BALK
AT MAKIN' DO
WITH WHATEVER
I FIND!

I'M
PELOQUIN, AN'
YOU AIN'T GOT
NO CLAIM TO ANY
OF THIS!

I DO.

THAT SADISTIC
BASTARD, SWEENEY,
MUTILATED MY WIFE...



I FEEL FOR YA...
THAT WEREWOLF,
ERIK, KILLED
MY MATE...

ERIK?

ERIK
ROTHCHILD.
ANOTHER
FRIEND OF
YOURS?

YOU ARE
LUCKY YOU
PUT ME DOWN,
MAN!

FRIEND?
HE WAS A NERDY
LITTLE PRICK!

CAN'T STAND
TO THINK, HE'S
THE ONE
AVENGING MY
WIFE...

LOTTS
DEBTS
BEIN'
PAID HERE
TONIGHT.

ARGGG!

CHOFF

NO! I AIN'T
GONNA BE
INFECTED
WITH YOUR
DISEASE!



A SHAME,
REALLY. THE
"INFECTION"
WOULD HAVE
KEPT YOU
FROM DYING...
COMPLETELY.

BUT SINCE
YOU'RE SO
INSISTENT,
DEATH SHALL
BE YOUR
FATE!

WHURRGG!

SHREEK



HRRROOOO

YOUR TURN... PELOQUIN.

YOUR MATE WAS
A SWEET FEAST
FOR THE EYES
AS WELL AS THE
TONGUE--

--CAN THE
SAME BE SAID
FOR YOU?



WE ARE MORE ALIKE
THAN I CAN STAND!
EVEN BEFORE YOU
BECAME BREED--

--YOUR
ANIMALISTIC SIDE
MUST HAVE BEEN
BOILING AWAY
UNDER YOUR
SKIN!

THRACK

SLASH

HOW
PERCEPTIVE,
FOR A PRIMITIVE.

SOME OF US
WERE MEANT TO
RULE THE NOCTURNAL
WORLD FROM THE
START, TAKING
PLEASURE WITHOUT
CONSEQUENCE!

AIN'T GOT
NOTHIN'
TO DO WITH
RULING!

IT'S A GIFT OF
IMMORTALITY--

GUTCH

GRRRRR

--THE PRICE
OF WHICH IS
RESPECTIN' THE
SPIRIT OF THE
TRIBES
BLOOD!

SOMETHING
YOU HAVE NO
COMPREHENSION
OF--

SNARRRL!

SKRETCH

RIP!!

--OR EVEN
THE HEART
FOR!

IT MEANS NOT
PREYING UPON
EACH OTHER FOR
PLEASURE.

YOU NEVER
HAD ENOUGH
NOBILITY IN
YOUR SOUL TO
BREED.





SOON, A FUNERAL PYRE
IS SET, NOT TO HONOR
THE DEAD, BUT TO KEEP
THEM FROM COMING BACK.

IS THIS
RIGHT? I
MEAN, WHAT
ABOUT
FAMILY?

GOTTA MAKE
SURE THERE AIN'T A
SPECK OF 'EM LEFT.
ELSE THEY'LL BE BACK,
AND PISSED OFF
LIKE YOU WOULDN'T
BELIEVE!

RIGHT! THE
HELL WITH THEIR
FAMILY. PROBABLY
BETTER THEY
DON'T KNOW--

--I MEAN, IF
IT WAS MY
BROTHER OR
WHATEVER, IT'D
SUCK SHIT TO
KNOW THE TRUTH,
MAN!



GOT THOSE
INNARDS A
TOURS ALL PUT
BACK IN ORDER.
JONATHAN,
THIS SALVE
WILL CLOSE
THE WOUND
FASTER.

SHIT
SMELLS
REAL
BAD.

THAT'S
IN THE
SALVE,
TOO.



YOU WERE
MOST FORTUNATE
TO HAVE BEEN
BLESSED WITH
THE GIFT OF THE
BREED.

A NATURAL
WOULD'VE DIED
FROM THE
SHOCK BEFORE
THE EXTENT
OF THE INJURY.

LUCKY ME.



I NEVER
BELIEVED
IN MONSTERS
BEFORE...

WE AIN'T THE
REAL MONSTERS...
AN' WE DON'T
START THIS
FRIGGIN' WAR...



IF YOU HADN'T SHOWN UP, A WHOLE LOT MORE FOLKS'D BE DEAD...

I NEVER WAS THE IDEAL HUSBAND, BUT I LOVED LESLIE...

...HARD TO BELIEVE SHE WAS ONE OF YOU... HARD TO BELIEVE SHE'S DEAD...

WE ONLY CAME TO RETRIEVE A ROGUE. AN' I LOST ANOTHER LOVER.

AIN'T FAIR. AIN'T RIGHT. BUT WE GOTTA MOVE ON BEST WE CAN.



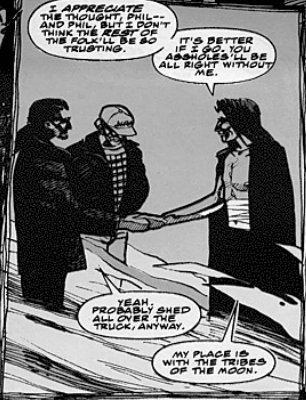
WE'RE OUTTA HERE, JONATHAN. YOU COMIN' ALONG? IT AIN'T SAFE FOR YOU--

MY LIFE IS HERE WITH MY FRIENDS... BUT...



YEAH, SINCE HE DON'T EAT MEAT ANYHOW, HE'LL BE A REAL ASSET DURIN' HUNTIN' SEASON!

WE SAW THE WEREWOLVES DIE. NO WEREWOLVES AROUND HERE ANYMORE...



I APPRECIATE THE THOUGHT, PHIL-- AND PHIL, BUT I DON'T THINK THE REST OF THE FOLK'LL BE SO TRUSTING.

IT'S BETTER IF I GO. YOU ASSHOLES'LL BE ALL RIGHT WITHOUT ME.

YEAH, PROBABLY SHED ALL OVER THE TRUCK, ANYWAY.

MY PLACE IS WITH THE TRIBES OF THE MOON.



TIME TO GET BACK ON THE ROAD, BREED. BETTER CHECK IN WITH SAVIOR BOY, CABAL-BAPHOMET, WHATEVER.

WHEN WE LEFT, HE WAS ACTIN' REAL WEIRD, MORE'N USUAL ANYWAY.

I GOT A FEELING WE GOT A TOUGHER ROAD AHEAD THAN WE THOUGHT.

Roaming in thought over the universe, I saw the lines that is good, steadily hastening towards immortality, and the vast that is call'd evil hastening to merge itself and become lost and dead.

--WALT WHITMAN

NEXT: A BOLD, NEW DIRECTION FOR THE NIGHTBREED AS THE FULL FORCE OF THE TRIBES OF THE MOON GATHER, AT LAST! THE BREED FACE A DECISION THAT WILL FOREVER HAUNT THEM, AS THEY MUST BETWEEN SAVING THEIR TRIBES, AND KILLING THEIR GOD!

DON'T MISS!

THE MAD GOD BAPHOMET!

BREEDING ground

SEND YOUR LETTERS TO:

BREEDING GROUND, c/o EPIC COMICS,
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Dear Breeding Ground,

First, I'd just like to say that NIGHTBREED is one of the better comics being published at this time (along with HELLRAISER), and it's very good to see that they are both enjoying a long and healthy life.

As a fan of all Clive Barker's creations, I was very pleased with the discovery of the NIGHTBREED and HELLRAISER books two years ago. The NIGHTBREED story and art are first-rate. The following storylines of the Blasphemers and Gods in Blood continued in the same high-quality standards. But with the Nightbreed up against Rawhead Rex, you really have outdone yourselves. The story is excellent and the art breathtaking. It is interesting and it works just as well when the artists change halfway through the story. I additionally like the characters. Is Algernon meant to be based on Crowley? It's also good to see the return of Ashberry and Eigerman, but will Decker ever return, as Ashberry resurrected him in the movie?

I look forward to the seven saviors before Cabal along with the lycanthropy connections. Will there ever be a vampire connection to the Breed?

One last thing. Where can I get a hardback or trade paperback copy of "The Great and Secret Show" as a "friend" lost my copy? Anyway, keep up the good work with NIGHTBREED and HELLRAISER, and any other Barker adaptations. Good luck!!

Jonathan Bell
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Thanks for the compliment, Jonathan! Like a fine wine, we hope our book does get better with age, hopefully in a better comparison than to a fine, robust cheese — we want to get better and more dynamic and popular — not necessarily stronger and more pungent. Anyway, it's appreciated. You're correct in noticing the similarities between Algernon and Crowley. As we've said before, Alister Crowley was certainly one of the inspirations drawn from in the creation of the diversely ingenious and indescribably perverse character of Algernon Kinder. It's always nice when someone notices the areas of research that go on behind the scenes, especially for a research hound like D.G. Chichester! As for Decker and a vampirism connection, who knows? Well, maybe we do, but for right now, we ain't tellin'.

If you want to purchase a copy of "The Great and Secret Show," as a "friend" lost your copy (don't be so harsh, Jonathan, that's what friends are for), I suggest you check your local specialty book store, and if they don't have it in stock, ask for it by name so they can place an order for you.

Dear Breeding Ground,

First of all, I would like to say that the NIGHTBREED comic is the best comic I have ever read. I collect them now and know I have a very good investment in them. My sister started collecting super hero comics. One day, I went with her to the comic shop and found they didn't interest me, until I saw NIGHTBREED #8 with Aello eating fingers on the cover. I bought it without looking in-

side the book. Now I'm very interested in all the characters.

Questions: Where did Gallows come from, and will she ever give in to Narcisse? What happened to Guido? Will there be another NIGHTBREED movie?

Keep up the good work. It's the only book that makes me feel at home.

Jessica Villa
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Wow, Jessica, your interest in comics sure had an... original beginning. Perhaps we'd sell more comics if we put more characters on the cover of NIGHTBREED eating fingers (it's an idea), but it'd accompany a marked increase in the blood pressures of the Powers That Be, here at Marvel/Epic. Anyway, geez, don't you people realize we're not going to tell you about future happenings in NIGHTBREED? You're just going to have to wait and see what happens between Gallows and Narcisse. We can promise some romance in the future, but maybe — probably — not what you'll expect! Keep your eyes on (and hands off) Shuma Sassi! As for Guido, he's still around, and he'll be playing a significant part in the next storyline. Sorry, there are still no plans for a Nightbreed sequel — but keep the heat on! You wouldn't believe the dust demanding fans can create!

Dear Breeding Grounds,

I have seen the movie version of NIGHTBREED, and I just picked up #16, and I loved both those projects, but a few questions have been nagging at me for quite a while. Here are my questions:

When Peloquin bit Boone in the movie, Boone became a Nightbreed, right? If a Nightbreed bit a human, would that natural become a Nightbreed, or does it depend on if a natural has a Nightbreed somewhere on their family tree?

In issue #16, we met a woman called Cynthia Wells, or Cyn for short. Will she play an important role as a natural or as a Nightbreed?

Was Rawhead Rex one of those caged, "dangerous" Nightbreed we saw in the film version of Midam?

The Breed baby that Gallows adopted in issue #16 — do the Nightbreed do that often?

Thank you for reading this. If you could answer these questions, I would be very grateful. Also, please have more of Cyn and Peloquin and their stories. Thank you from a fascinated natural.

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Well, Elizabeth, a human doesn't have to have Breed blood in his history to become a member of the Breed — but one does have to have an incontrovertible link to the Tribes of the Moon. Cynthia of course is not a Nightbreed, but a Natural, and you'll have to wait and see what sort of a role she plays. Rawhead Rex was not one of the caged creatures you refer to. Those are the Berserkers, or Wildings. They were developed by German occult scientists as warriors during World War II, but were, due to their chaotic nature, killing as many German

soldiers as Allied soldiers. Therefore, they were either killed off when possible, or hypnotized and kept in the deepest regions of the Midian underworld. Rawhead Rex, on the other hand, was one of a quite different, much more ancient race of beings. In regard to the baby — Gallows didn't adopt the baby. Bloodybones is the father of the child, and though the mother was killed in #14, he continues to care for the child with Gallows, and all the Breed's help. Will the Breed adopt Breed other natural babies, though? Hey, the Breed take care of their own.

Hello, is anybody up there?

If anyone will ever read this, please answer me within two weeks (if ever). Here I go:

I'm very disappointed with the fact that Hellraiser III was done without the help of Clive Barker!

Are we going to see any interesting covers? Something like "Terminator: the Enemy Within" would be great!

How may I purchase any of Clive Barker's movies: the three Hellraiser films or Nightbreed?

How may I get Clive Barker's signature on any of the stuff I have (that is, his comic books)?

The idea of T-shirts and posters is great, but only if they would be high quality. We wouldn't want a project like that to end due to low sales via poor quality.

I love "The Book of the Damned." Is it going to be released monthly?

I don't know if any of you realize how popular Clive is. Is he ever going to release his own magazine or something like it?

The End.

That's it, go to sleep!

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My, my Mike, aren't we impatient. Here's your response, not two weeks later, but printed instead. One important thing to remember is that every Barker-related item and product isn't immediately or necessarily associated with Epic (though we hope in the future to make the Barker line of comics synonymous with Marvel and Epic.) A lot of the things you have problems with are not in our hands, like the posters and T-shirts, except for certain promotional items perhaps, not offered commercially. In reference to those, you're barking up the wrong tree. We hope that you did check out our adaptation of Hellraiser III: HELL ON EARTH, which we think will surely shiver your timbers, and is on sale now, if you missed it. Hellraiser I and II and Nightbreed can all be purchased or rented. If you can't find them for sale or rental, they can be ordered through your local video store.

About our covers, how do you like the "specialness index" of our current run, illustrated by Hellraiser III production artist Martin Mercer? We're looking forward to doing some pretty outrageous and stand-out stuff in the near future. Is there anyone you'd like to see specifically? Please let us know.



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